

STATE OF ILLINOIS
BEFORE THE
JO-CARROLL DEPOT LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Resolution # 23

A Resolution in Support of the United States Bureau of Prisons purchasing the Thomson Correctional Center, Operating It as a Federal Prison and Leasing a Portion of It to the Department of Defense

WHEREAS the Counties of Jo Daviess and Carroll, desiring to continue to cooperatively manage the closure and redevelopment of the Savanna Army Depot, established the Jo-Carroll Depot Local Redevelopment Authority, "LRA," by an Intergovernmental Agreement, AND

WHEREAS, the counties in said intergovernmental agreement granted the LRA the power to adopt, amend, and repeal ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations with respect to its powers and functions and not inconsistent with the re-use plan and the Base Closure Community Redevelopment Assistance Act, AND

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois had planned to construct the correctional facility now known as the Thomson Correctional Center at a site in Jo Daviess County at the Savanna Army Depot Activity 20 miles north of Thomson to replace jobs lost when the base, formerly known as the Savanna Proving Ground, Savanna Ordnance Depot and Savanna Army Depot, closed in 2000, AND

WHEREAS, the State reconsidered the location, built the prison, and completed its construction at Thomson in 2001, but never fully utilized the prison, AND

WHEREAS, the Federal Government is considering the possible acquisition of the Thomson Correctional Facility from the State of Illinois and operating the facility as a Bureau of Prisons maximum-security prison with federal inmates and leasing a portion of the prison to the Department of Defense to house a limited number of detainees from Guantanamo, AND

WHEREAS, the full operation of the Thomson Correctional Center at an estimated use of 75 percent by the Bureau of Prisons and 25 percent by the Department of Defense would stimulate economic growth and create jobs within and beyond Jo Daviess and Carroll counties and has the potential for greater reuse of property now known as the Savanna Depot Business, Industry & Technology Park, "Savanna, Depot Park," at the former 13,062-acre base.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE JO-CARROLL DEPOT LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

Section 1: To support the sale of the Thomson Correctional Center to the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

Section 2: To support the proposed use of the facility by the Bureau of Prisons and Department of Defense.

_____	Ayes:	7
_____	Nays:	0
_____	Absent:	1

Passed this 2nd day of December, 2009 by the Board of Directors of the Jo-Carroll Depot Local Redevelopment Authority.

Plaine M. Komiskey
Executive Director

State of Illinois)
) ss.
) County of Carroll)



I, Dawn Hall, Secretary of the Jo-Carroll Depot Local Redevelopment Authority, keeper of the records and files thereof in accordance with law; do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Board of Directors at its regular meeting held at Savanna, Illinois on the date aforesaid in accordance with law.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand at Savanna, Illinois this 2nd day of

December, 2009

Dawn Hall
Secretary